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Subject: Grand Mufti Adherent
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Date of Information: 27 December 49

Place Acquired: Beirut, Lebanon

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Source: []

1. On 27 December 1949 Halina 'Abd-al-Karim al-JAUNI, wife of the Palestinian Arab leader and Grand Mufti adherent, arrived in Beirut and stayed at the Pension "Rafael." On that same evening she visited Fedot PISARENKO at the Soviet Legation. Mrs. al-JAUNI is Polish and twenty-eight years old.
2. On the same day Awni 'ABD-al-HADI, former minister in the Gaza government, arrived in BEIRUT from Damascus. 'ABD-al-HADI is also a Mufti follower, according to source.

Source Comment: Inasmuch as the British are supporting King 'ABDALLAH and the Americans the Israelis, source believes that the Grand Mufti may have decided to seek Soviet support. Mrs. al-JAUNI may have been sent as a courier for the Mufti by her husband. Source feels that the arrival on the same day of another Mufti supporter, 'ABD-al-HADI, supports this theory.

Field Note: We find no trace on al-JAUNI or his wife. 'ABD-al-HADI was reported in RPJ-242, but as working against the Mufti. This report was dated 13 February 1948.

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